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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

It is in the best interest of the American Public to end the Microsoft lawsuits as soon as possible. Our economy is in recession and our IT sector has never returned to normal since lawsuits began. We need our government to focus their energy, time, and money elsewhere on issues that they can have positive affect on

The terms of the settlement are more than fair and I do not understand why nine states want to continue litigation. Microsoft has agreed to disclose interfaces, form three-person team to monitor compliance with settlement, improve relations with computer makers and software developers, and design future Windows versions so that competitors can market their products on its operating systems.

In my judgment the settlement will be good for IT sector and the American economy. I urge your office to finalize it as soon as possible and I thank you for your time.

Sincerely.

Bill McCahey

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cc: Representative Jerrold Nadler